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Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

A Regular Meeting of the First Things First Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council took place on May 15, 2013, at the First Things First Regional Office, 3610 North Prince Village Place, Suite 100 Tucson, Arizona 85719. Vice Chair Mildred Manuel welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at approximately 12:04 p.m.

Members Present (telephonic):

Chair Louis Johnson, Vice Chair Mildred Manuel, Joseph Mease, Dionne Ramon, Kymberlii Tenario, Ella Begay, and Ben Standifer

Members Not Present:

Albert Adler and Janine Prewitt

Staff Present: Erin Lyons, Senior Director, Southeast Region; Travis Le Duc, Regional Director, Tohono O'odham Nation; Aggie Hart, Community Outreach Coordinator; Vanessa Verduzco, Administrative Assistant.

Welcome/Invocation

Vice Chair Mildred Manuel thanked everybody for attending the meeting telephonically.

Approval of April 20, 2013 Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council Meeting Minutes

Member Joseph Mease moved that the Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council approve the minutes of the April 20, 2013 Regional Council meeting as presented, seconded by member Kymberlii Tenario. Motion carried.

Member Dionne Ramon joined the meeting telephonically.

Call to the Public

None.

Discussion and Possible Approval: Renewal Recommendations

A motion was made by Chair Louis Johnson that the Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of Tohono O'odham Nation Regional Partnership Council Community-Based Professional Development Contract FTF-MULTI-13-0389-03 and present it for consideration of award to the First Things First Board, seconded by member Kymberlii Tenario. Travis Le Duc, Regional Director, mentioned that United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona is the main grantee and Tohono O'odham Community College is the sub-grantee. Members would like to ensure that recipients of the service know that the funding is provided by First Things First. No further discussion, motion carried.

Vice Chair Mildred Manuel stated a conflict of interest with the Parent Outreach/Awareness and Parent Education Community-Based Training grants due to her employment with the Tohono O’odham Nation Department of Health and Human Services. Member Kymberlii Tenario became acting Chair.

A motion was made by Chair Louis Johnson that the Tohono O’odham Nation Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of Tohono O’odham Nation Regional Partnership Council Parent Outreach and Awareness Contract FTF-RC026-13-0532-01 and present it for consideration of award to the First Things First Board, seconded by member Ella Begay. Discussion followed regarding the reimbursement schedule related to this strategy. No further discussion, motion carried.

A motion was made by Chair Louis Johnson that the Tohono O’odham Nation Regional Partnership Council approve the renewal of Tohono O’odham Nation Regional Partnership Council Parent Education Community-Based Training FTF-RC026-13-0539-01 and present it for consideration of award to the First Things First Board, seconded by member Ben Standifer. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Mildred Manuel facilitated the remainder of the meeting.

Regional Director Report

Mr. Le Duc reviewed the expenditure report, addressed the issue of First Things First recognition, gave an update on the Food Security strategy, and gave an update on the Quality First strategy. Mr. Le Duc mentioned the request for funding from the Baboquivari Unified School District to fund 2 Preschool programs. At the request of the Tohono O’odham Nation Regional Partnership Council during the April 20, 2013 Regular Meeting Mr. Le Duc is gathering information about the program’s budget, how the Regional Council could grant funding to the program, and the funding process.

General Discussion

Mr. Le Duc reminded the members that the next Tohono O’odham Nation Regional Partnership Council meeting is on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at a location in Pisinemo.

Call to the Public

None.

Adjourn

A motion was made by member Joseph Mease to adjourn the meeting, seconded by member Kymberlii Tenario. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:50 p.m.

Submitted By _____
Vanessa Verduzco, Administrative Assistant

Approved By _____
Louis Johnson, Chair

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20 ____.